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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED  
PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1754

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

This amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 2, 2004. No new issues are raised by this amendment. Because the present application is now in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. Alternatively, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment for purposes of narrowing the issues upon appeal.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.